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**Paper / Subject Code: 87615 / Pharmaceutical Biotechnology**

**Duration: 3 Hrs**

**Maximum Marks: 75**

- N.B. : 1. All questions are compulsory**  
**2. Figures to right indicate full marks**

**Q. I Choose the appropriate option for following multiple choice questions. 20M**

1. Which of the following best defines pharmaceutical biotechnology?
  - a) The study of plants used in traditional medicine
  - b) The application of biological systems and organisms to the development of drugs
  - c) The study of chemical synthesis of pharmaceuticals
  - d) The development of medical devices for drug delivery
2. Which of the following microorganisms is commonly used for the industrial production of catalase?
  - a) *Bacillus subtilis*
  - b) *Candida albicans*
  - c) *Streptococcus pyogenes*
  - d) *Staphylococcus aureus*
3. What advantage does enzyme immobilization offer in industrial biocatalysis?
  - a) Decreased production costs
  - b) Increased reaction rates
  - c) Greater substrate specificity
  - d) Reduced enzyme activity
4. Which of the following is an example of an ethical concern in pharmaceutical biotechnology related to access to healthcare?
  - a) Patent infringement
  - b) Animal testing
  - c) Informed consent
  - d) Drug pricing and affordability
5. Which of the following regions of an antibody molecule binds specifically to an antigen?
  - a) Variable region

- b) Constant region
  - c) Fc region
  - d) Fa region
6. Which of the following features is essential for a plasmid vector used in rDNA technology?
- a) Resistance to antibody
  - b) Ability to self-replicate in host cells
  - c) Large size
  - d) Ability to cut DNA at specific sequences
7. Which expression system is commonly used for the production of recombinant proteins in bacteria such as Escherichia coli?
- a) Yeast expression system
  - b) Mammalian expression system
  - c) Bacterial expression system
  - d) Plant expression system
8. In RFLP analysis, what is the purpose of running the digested DNA fragments on an agarose gel?
- a) To amplify DNA fragments
  - b) To visualize DNA fragments based on size differences
  - c) To synthesize DNA probes
  - d) To sequence DNA fragments
9. In Sanger sequencing, what is used to terminate DNA synthesis at specific bases?
- a) Radioactive labels
  - b) Fluorescent dyes
  - c) DNA ligase
  - d) Dideoxynucleotides (ddNTPs)
10. What is the purpose of ligation in rDNA technology?
- a) To isolate DNA from its source organism
  - b) To join DNA fragments together with a vector
  - c) To transform DNA into host cells
  - d) To express proteins from recombinant DNA

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11. What is the purpose of the extension step in PCR?
- To separate the DNA strands
  - To anneal primers to the template DNA
  - To amplify the DNA sequence
  - To extend the primers by adding nucleotides
12. Which class of antibodies is the most abundant in serum and is involved in secondary immune responses?
- IgA
  - IgD
  - IgG
  - IgE
13. MHC class I molecules are composed of how many chains?
- One  $\alpha$  chain
  - One  $\beta$  chain
  - One  $\alpha$  chain and one  $\beta$  chain
  - Two  $\alpha$  chains and two  $\beta$  chains
14. Vaccines that combine a weak antigen with a strong antigen to enhance the immune response are called:
- Live attenuated vaccines
  - Inactivated vaccines
  - Recombinant vector vaccines
  - Conjugate vaccines
15. What does vaccine stability refer to?
- The ability of a vaccine to cause an immune response
  - The ability of a vaccine to maintain its potency over time and under various conditions
  - The ability of a vaccine to be easily administered
  - The ability of a vaccine to prevent all infectious diseases

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16. What is the term for the process of selecting a hybridoma cells that produce a specific monoclonal antibody?
- Cloning
  - Fusion
  - Screening
  - Transformation
17. Which of the following is a characteristic feature of eukaryotic gene expression regulation but not prokaryotic?
- Transcription and translation occur simultaneously.
  - Operons regulate gene expression.
  - mRNA undergoes post-transcriptional modifications.
  - DNA is organized into circular chromosomes.
18. Transduction involves the transfer of bacterial DNA using:
- Pili
  - Bacteriophages
  - Plasmids
  - Capsules
19. In which type of fermentor is the microbial culture immobilized on the surface of solid particles or within a porous matrix?
- Stirred tank fermentor
  - Air-lift fermentor
  - Packed bed fermentor
  - Fluidized bed fermentor
20. Which device is used to measure the level of agitation in a fermentor?
- Turbidity sensor
  - pH electrode
  - Dissolved oxygen probe
  - Tachometer

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**Q. II A) Answer any two of the following (Any TWO) 20M**

- Define enzyme immobilization, enlist the methods of enzyme immobilization with diagrams. (10)  
Describe the composition and working of Penicillin biosensor.
- Define vectors, enlist them and write the ideal characteristics of vectors used in rDNA technology. (10)  
Write a note on Transgenic animals and Transgenic Plants with examples.
- Explain the method of preparation of diphtheria toxoid. (10)  
Define Hypersensitivity reactions, enlist them and explain any one in details.

**Q. III Answer any seven of the following (Any SEVEN) 35M**

- Describe the methods of Protein Engineering (05)
- What is gene therapy? Explain the same for SCID. (05)
- Differentiate between Humoral and Cellular Immunity. (05)
- Enlist the blotting techniques, explain the one used for protein. (05)
- Explain Microbial Biotransformation, write its applications in pharmaceuticals. (05)
- Define Mutation, classify it and Explain the various types of microbial mutants. (05)
- Explain fermentation media composition and Sterilization. (05)
- Enlist the methods of fermentation. Explain the fermentation of vitamin B12 (05)
- Write a short note on blood products and plasma substitutes. (05)